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the *TOWN* officers of *MASON^{nh} REPORT*



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the *School District Report*
for the year ending June 30, 1964....

A MASON BROOK IN WINTER

(Taken by Mr. Wilder)

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

Officers and Committees

OF THE TOWN OF

MASON, NEW HAMPSHIRE


For the Year Ending December 31
1964

WITH THE

SCHOOL DISTRICT REPORT

For the Year Ending June 30, 1964

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TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator

Richard B. Hodges, Jr. November 1966

Town Clerk

Charles F. H. Crathern March 1965

Town Treasurer

Charles F. H. Crathern March 1965

Selectmen

Tracey A. Eaton March 1965

Leland A. Wildes, Appointed 4/15/64 March 1965

Albert Lizotte, Appointed 1/6/65 March 1965

Robert Woods, Resigned 4/15/64 March 1966

Albert Dunham, Sr., Resigned 5/15/64 March 1967

Harold C. Miller, Appointed 6/1/64

Harold C. Miller, Resigned 12/15/64 March 1965

Tax Collector

Calvin A. Wentworth March 1965

Highway Agent

Guy Porter Washburn March 1965

Auditors

Robert Mairo March 1965

Paul G. Robbins, Resigned 12/64

Arthur Thompson, Appointed 12/24/64 March 1965

Supervisors of Check List

Elsa Crathern November 1966

Guy F. Washburn November 1966

Harold C. Miller, Resigned

Esther A. Spalding, Appointed 12/24/64 November 1966

Library Trustees

Jane Woods, Resigned	March 1965
Esther A. Spalding	March 1966
Phyllis G. Wentworth	March 1967

Trustees of Trust Funds

Charles F. H. Crathern	March 1965
Tracy A. Eaton	March 1966
Conray G. Wharff	March 1967

Trustees of Cemeteries

Conray G. Wharff	March 1965
Frank Newell	March 1966
Lewis Jackson	March 1967

Police Officers

Albert L. Dunham, Jr., Chief	Appointed
Fred Gilson	Appointed
William Morrison	Appointed
Harold Forrest	Appointed

Fire Chief

Alwin E. Hodson, Jr.	Appointed
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Forest Fire Wardens

Murdock Dunn	Appointed
G. Porter Washburn	Appointed
Harold C. Miller	Appointed
Irving Spear	Appointed
William Morrison	Appointed

Health Officer

Dr. Robert Wellwood	Appointed
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Librarian

Mary G. Castle	Appointed
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Ballot Clerks

Helvi Murto	November 1966
Sophie Rajala	November 1966
Phyllis G. Wentworth	November 1966
Mildred Wharff	November 1966

Town Hall Janitor

Guy F. Washburn	Appointed
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Sexton

Frank Newell	Appointed
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Financial Advisory Committee

Elizabeth M. King, Appointed by Selectmen	March 1965
Richard B. Hodges, Jr., Appointed by Selectmen	March 1966
Charles W. Fifield, Appointed by Selectmen	March 1967
Malcolm Stanton, Appointed by FAC	March 1965
Arthur Thompson, Appointed by FAC	March 1965

Planning Board

Harold C. Miller, Appointed by Selectmen	March 1965
Aaron Brandt, Appointed by Selectmen	March 1966
Adolph Rajala, Appointed by Selectmen	March 1967
Albert Lizotte, Appointed by Selectmen	March 1968
Mary G. Castle, Appointed by Selectmen	March 1969

Board of Adjustment

Charles Babb, Appointed by Selectmen	March 1965
Malcolm Stanton, Appointed by Selectmen	March 1966
Harold Forrest, Appointed by Selectmen	March 1967
Calvin Wentworth, Appointed by Selectmen	March 1968
James Rowse, Appointed by Selectmen	March 1969

Representative to General Court

Charles H. Babb	November 1966
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TOWN WARRANT

The State of New Hampshire

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Mason in the County of Hillsborough in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Mason on Tuesday, the 9th day of March next at one of the clock in the afternoon then and there to bring in your ballots for the following Town Officers:

Town Clerk for one year; Selectman for three years; Selectman for two years; Selectman for one year; Town Treasurer for one year; Tax Collector for one year; Highway Agent for one year.

The polls to close at 7 P. M. of the same day.

And at eight of the clock in the afternoon of the same day at the same place to act on the following subjects;

Article 1. To choose all necessary Town Officers not chosen by the non-partisan ballot.

Article 2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations for the same.

Article 3. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and Town Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

Article 4. To see if the town will vote to give a discount on taxes paid on or before a certain date or take any action relating thereto.

Article 5. To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen to sell any real estate now owned by the town that has been acquired by tax sale, bequest or gift, if they with a majority of the Financial Committee think it advisable or take any action relating thereto.

Article 6. To see if the town will allow the Tax Collector compensation for collecting the State Head Tax and fix the amount at 8 per cent or take any action relating thereto.

Article 7. To see if the town will vote to change article #3 of the town planning ordinance now reading: "It shall be the duty of the Planning Board, and the Board is hereby given power and authority to enforce the provisions of this Ordinance." to read "It shall be the duty of the Board of Selectmen, and the Board is hereby given power and authority to enforce the provisions of this Ordinance."

Article 8. To hear reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees and Officers heretofore chosen and take any action relating thereto.

Given under our hands and seal, this 17th day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-five.

TRACY A. EATON
LELAND A. WILDES
ALBERT LIZOTTE

Selectmen of Mason

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

TRACY A. EATON
LELAND A. WILDES
ALBERT LIZOTTE

Selectmen of Mason

There may be more articles in the posted warrant.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

This year has seen several changes on the Board. Mr. Woods resigned because his position in Washington required his presence there most of the time. Mr. Leland A. Wildes, a former Selectman, was appointed to fill the vacancy. Mr. Albert L. Dunham resigned in May. Mr. Harold C. Miller was appointed as replacement; he later resigned and Mr. Albert Lizotte was then appointed to complete the Board.

The financial report presents a good picture as you will see by the excess of assets over liabilities.

The proposed budget for 1965 compares favorably with that of 1964, showing but a slight increase. A few items have been raised and others lowered to indicate more realistic figures and it is hoped that the needs of the town can be satisfactorily met without any increase in taxes.

The continued overdraft on our winter roads is being investigated and it would appear that as our citizens demand sand, salt — also additional plowing to keep roads in A-1 condition, while ignoring the use of snow tires, chains, or a bucket of sand, it is difficult to provide this extra service without a strain on our winter roads budget.

It has been noted that the cost and trucking of sand and salt might be reduced if the town had the facilities to properly stockpile these items. It has been suggested that the town secure a piece of land, preferably near the center of town, or, perhaps arrange with the State to use a section of the Highway Department area on Route #31 for this purpose. The possibilities are being probed and the Board will endeavor to have a report for the annual meeting.

The Board, at this time, would like to thank all those who have so kindly helped them during this past year.

Respectfully Submitted,

TRACY A. EATON, Chairman
LELAND A. WILDES
ALBERT LIZOTTE

PROPOSED TOWN BUDGET

As approved by the Financial Advisory Committee

Town Officers Salaries	\$ 1,250.00
Town Officers Expenses	1,000.00
Election and Registration	100.00
Town Hall	900.00
Police Department	1,000.00
Fire Department	1,300.00
Care of Trees	100.00
Insurance	600.00
Health	25.00
Town Dump	400.00
Town Road Aid	664.60
Summer Roads	6,000.00
Winter Roads	6,000.00
Street Lighting	225.00
General Expenses Highway Department	500.00
Library	500.00
Old Age Assistance	200.00
Public Relief	200.00
Memorial Day	100.00
Parks and Playgrounds	100.00
Cemeteries	250.00
Regional	101.82
Social Security	175.00
Interest	350.00
Long Term Note	1,000.00
Total	\$ 23,041.42

SUMMARY OF VALUATION

Land and Buildings	\$852,393.00
Public Utilities, Electric	39,800.00
House Trailers, 4	9,450.00

Stock in Trade	935.00
Boats, 2	200.00
Poultry, 1,000	300.00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks	300.00
Total valuation	<u>\$903,378.00</u>
Exemptions:	
War Service	\$ 47,000.00
Blind	900.00
Poultry	300.00
Total Exemptions	<u>\$ 48,200.00</u>
Net Valuation on which tax rate is computed	<u>\$855,178.00</u>
Number of Veterans who receive property exemptions	42
Number of Veterans who receive Poll Tax exemptions	47

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES ASSESSED

Appropriations

Town Officers	\$ 1,250.00
Town Officers, Expenses	1,000.00
Election and Registration	300.00
Town Hall	950.00
Social Security	150.00
Police Department	800.00
Fire Department	1,300.00
Care of Trees, Blister Rust	100.00
Insurance	500.00
Civilian Defense	100.00
Health	25.00
Dump	400.00
Summer Roads	6,000.00
Winter Roads	6,000.00
Street Lighting	225.00
General Expenses of Highway Department	500.00

Town Road Aid	669.57	
Library	500.00	
Old Age Assistance	200.00	
Public Relief	200.00	
Memorial Day	100.00	
Parks and Playgrounds	100.00	
Cemeteries	250.00	
Regional	101.82	
Payment on Debt	1,000.00	
Interest	300.00	
Water Holes	200.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 23,221.39
School Appropriation		43,884.54
County Tax		3,708.29
Added Overlay		658.87
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Total		\$ 71,473.09

Estimated Revenue and Credits

Interest and Dividends Tax	\$ 3,154.31	
Savings Bank Tax	72.40	
Reimbursement — State Lands	50.00	
Revenue from Yield Tax	2,634.74	
Interest received on Taxes	100.00	
Filing Fees	10.00	
Dog Licenses	150.00	
Motor Vehicle Permits	2,700.00	
Rent of Town Property	50.00	
Sale of Tax Deeded Property	1,500.00	
Poll Taxes 167	334.00	
Total Revenue and Credits	<hr/>	\$ 10,755.45
Total Appropriations		\$ 71,473.09
Total Credits		10,755.45
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Amount to be raised by Property Taxes		\$ 60,717.64

Net property valuation \$855,178.00 times .071 equals \$60,717.64

TOWN BUDGET

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1965 to December 31, 1965. Compared with Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and Expenditures of the Previous Year January 1, 1964 to December 31, 1964.

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1964	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1964	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1965
From State:			
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 3,154.31	\$ 2,800.00
Railroad Tax		101.12	
Savings Bank Tax	72.00	72.40	75.00
Reimbursement a/c State and Federal forest lands	25.00	149.12	75.00
Reimbursement a/c Exemption of Growing Wood and Timber	1,500.00	1,312.17	1,200.00
For Fighting Forest Fires		70.47	
From Local Sources Except Taxes:			
Dog Licenses	175.00	201.00	175.00
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	2,800.00	4,463.35	3,500.00
Rent of Town Hall and Other Bldgs.	50.00	80.00	50.00
Interest Received on Taxes and Deposits	100.00	209.84	100.00
Sale of Town Property		1,850.00	
From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:			
Poll Taxes Regular @ \$2	300.00	320.00	300.00
Yield Taxes		1,485.45	
TOTAL REVENUES FROM ALL SOURCES EXCEPT PROPERTY TAXES	\$ 7,522.00	\$ 13,469.23	\$ 8,275.00
*AMT. TO BE RAISED BY PROP. TAXES	66,765.90		
TOTAL REVENUES			\$ 8,275.00

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES	Appropriations Previous Year 1964	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1964	Estimated Expenditures Ensnin ^g Year 1965
Current Maintenance Expenses:			
General Government:			
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 1,250.00	\$ 939.58	\$ 1,250.00
Town Officers' Expenses	1,000.00	795.85	1,000.00
Election and Registration Expenses	300.00	402.46	100.00
Expenses Town Hall and Other Town Bldgs.	950.00	717.14	900.00
Employees' Retirement and Soc. Sec.	150.00	135.12	175.00
Protections of Persons and Property:			
Police Department	800.00	743.27	1,000.00
Fire Department	1,300.00	1,413.56	1,300.00
Moth Exterm. — Blister Rust & Care of Trees	100.00	75.00	100.00
Insurance	500.00	627.94	600.00
Civil Defense	100.00	—0—	—0—
Health:			
Health Department, Including Hosp.	25.00	—0—	25.00
Town Dump and Garbage Removal	400.00	400.00	400.00
Highways and Bridges:			
Town Maintenance—Summer	6,000.00	6,057.11	6,000.00
Town Maintenance—Winter	6,000.00	7,905.24	6,000.00
Street Lighting	225.00	223.20	225.00
General Expenses of Highway Dept.	500.00	1,335.80	500.00
Town Road Aid	669.57	669.57	664.60
Libraries	500.00	500.00	500.00
Public Welfare:			
Town Poor	200.00	—0—	200.00
Old Age Assistance	200.00	1.00	200.00
Patriotic Purposes:			
Memorial Day and Veterans Assoc.	100.00	90.00	100.00
Recreation:			
Parks and Playground, Incl. Band Concerts	100.00	96.50	100.00

Public Service Enterprises:

Cemeteries	250.00	250.00	250.00
Advertising and Regional Associations	101.82	101.82	101.82

Interest:

On Temporary Loans	300.00	156.00	350.00
On Long Term Notes and Bonds		344.56	

Payment on Principal of Debt:

Long Term Notes	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
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County Taxes	3,600.00	3,708.29	3,700.00
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School Taxes	46,000.00	47,080.19	48,299.48
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TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>\$ 72,621.39</u>	<u>\$ 75,769.20</u>	<u>\$ 75,040.90</u>
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COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1964

Title	Approp.	Receipts	Total	Expend.	Unexp.	Overdft.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
Town Officers Salaries	1,250.00		1,250.00	939.58	310.42	
Town Officers Expenses	1,000.00		1,000.00	795.85	204.15	
Election and Registration	300.00		300.00	402.46		102.46
Town Hall	950.00		950.00	717.14	232.86	
Police Department	800.00		800.00	743.27	56.73	
Fire Department	1,300.00	70.47	1,370.47	1,386.56		16.09
Care of Trees	100.00		100.00	75.00	25.00	
Insurance	500.00		500.00	627.94		127.94
Board of Health	25.00		25.00	—	25.00	
Civil Defense	100.00		100.00	—	100.00	
Town Dump	400.00		400.00	400.00		
Town Road Aid	669.57		669.57	669.57		
Summer Road	6,000.00	3,191.65	9,191.65	9,203.76		12.11
Winter Roads	6,000.00		6,000.00	7,905.24		1,905.24
Street Lighting	225.00		225.00	223.20	1.80	
General Expenses Hwy. Dept.	500.00		500.00	1,335.80		835.80
Library	500.00		500.00	500.00		
Old Age Assistance	200.00		200.00	1.00	199.00	
Public Relief	200.00		200.00	—	200.00	
Memorial Day	100.00		100.00	90.00	10.00	
Parks and Playgrounds	100.00		100.00	96.50	3.50	
Cemeteries	250.00		250.00	250.00		

Regional	101.82	101.82	101.82	101.82	
Social Security	150.00	295.23	280.35	14.88	
Interest	300.00	300.00	500.56		200.56
Long Term Note	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00		
	<u>\$ 23,021.39</u>	<u>\$ 3,407.35</u>	<u>\$ 28,245.60</u>	<u>\$ 1,383.34</u>	<u>\$ 3,200.20</u>
Totals					

BALANCE SHEET

Assets

Cash on hand	\$ 17,086.09
Unredeemed taxes, 1961	20.16
Unredeemed taxes, 1962	302.99
Unredeemed taxes, 1963	374.96
Uncollected Taxes, 1964, Property	8,213.74
Uncollected Taxes, Poll	74.00
Uncollected Taxes, Yield	42.12
Bounties due from State	69.00
Uncollected Head Taxes	220.00
Total	<hr/> \$ 26,403.06

Liabilities

Balance School Appropriation	\$ 22,884.54
Soldiers Monument	88.53
Water Holes	173.00
Uncollected Head Taxes, due the State	198.00
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	\$ 23,344.07
Excess of Assets	3,058.99
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	\$ 26,403.06

Notes Outstanding

Town Hall, 1965-66	\$ 2,000.00
T.R.A., 1965	3,628.13

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall	\$ 20,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	500.00
Library, Furniture and Equipment	1,000.00
Police Department, Equipment	200.00
Fire Department, Equipment	2,700.00
Highway Department	3,000.00
Parks and Playgrounds	1,000.00
School Land and Buildings	45,000.00
School Equipment	3,000.00

Town owned Land:

Obtained by Bequest:

- 22 a. Lucy Lawrence lot

Obtained by Gift:

- 1 a. Veterans of Foreign Wars lot

Obtained by Tax Sale:

- 20 a. Robbins lot
- 12 a. Henry Barrett lot
- 5 a. Shattuck lot
- 15 a. Part of Farwell Farm
- 57 a. Craig lot
- 15 a. Russell lot
- 30 a. Perley Pierce lot
- 11 a. Hall lot
- 20 a. Jefts lot
- 30 a. Foster lot
- 25 a. Sawtelle lot
- 20 a. Farnsworth lot
- 100 a. Undivided $\frac{1}{2}$ Baldwin lot

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK — 1964

Filing fees		\$	11.00
Dog fees			
63 M @ 2.00	\$	126.00	
4 F @ 5.00		20.00	
4 K @ 12.00		48.00	
15 P @ .50		7.50	\$ 201.50
Car Registrations			
1963	\$	20.80	
1964		4,442.55	\$ 4,463.35
Total Receipts			\$ 4,675.85

REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR

SUMMARY OF WARRANT

Property, Poll and Yield Taxes

Levy of 1964

— Dr. —

Taxes Committed to Collector:		
Property Taxes	\$	60,717.72
Poll Taxes		334.00
National Bank Stock Taxes		—
Total Warrant		\$ 61,051.72
Yield Taxes		1,322.57
Added Taxes:		
Property Taxes		—
Poll Taxes		—
Interest Collected		4.84
TOTAL DEBITS		\$ 62,379.13

— Cr. —

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$ 51,829.09
Poll Taxes	250.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	—
Yield Taxes	1,280.45
Interest Collected	4.84

\$ 53,364.38

Discount Allowed

632.29

Abatements:

Property Taxes	\$ 42.60
Poll Taxes	10.00
Yield Taxes	—

52.60

Uncollected Taxes — As Per Collector's List

Property Taxes	\$ 8,213.74
Poll Taxes	74.00
Yield Taxes	42.12

8,329.86

TOTAL CREDITS

\$ 62,379.13

Respectfully Submitted,

C. A. WENTWORTH

Tax Collector

(For Current Year's Levy)
SUMMARY OF WARRANT

State Head Tax

Levy of 1964

— Dr. —

State Head Taxes Committed to Collector:

Original Warrant	\$ 1,070.00
Added Taxes	—

Total Commitment

\$ 1,070.00

Penalties Collected	3.00
TOTAL DEBITS	\$ 1,073.00

— Cr. —

Remittances to Treasurer:		
Head Taxes	\$ 840.00	
Penalties	3.00	
		\$ 843.00
Abatements		25.00
Uncollected Head Taxes — As Per Collector's List		205.00
TOTAL CREDITS		\$ 1,073.00

(For Previous Year's Levy)
SUMMARY OF WARRANT

State Head Tax

Levy of 1963

— Dr. —

Uncollected Taxes — As of January 1, 1964	\$ 220.00
Added Taxes During 1964	10.00
Penalties Collected During 1964	19.50
TOTAL DEBITS	\$ 249.50

— Cr. —

Remittances to Treasurer During 1964:		
Head Taxes	\$ 205.00	
Penalties	19.50	
		\$ 224.50
Abatements During 1964		10.00
Uncollected Head Taxes — As Per Collector's List		15.00
TOTAL CREDITS		\$ 249.50

UNCOLLECTED HEAD & POLL TAXES

Levy of 1964

Fernand Bergeron	\$	5.00	\$	2.00
Lorraine Bergeron		5.00		2.00
Jean P. Bergeron		5.00		2.00
Cecile Bergeron		5.00		2.00
Roy Bell		5.00		2.00
George W. Cook		5.00		
Evelyn M. Cook		5.00		2.00
Thersa S. Coyne				2.00
Edwin J. Doucette		5.00		2.00
Nellie M. Doucette		5.00		2.00
*Charles W. Fifield, III		5.00		2.00
*Anne C. Fifield		5.00		2.00
Irving Flagg		5.00		
Helen Flagg		5.00		
*Joseph F. Folloman		5.00		2.00
*Florence I. Followman		5.00		2.00
Fred S. Gilson		5.00		
Mary L. Gilson		5.00		2.00
James R. Graham		5.00		
Helen E. Graham		5.00		2.00
Maurice Hamel		5.00		2.00
Ralph G. Haley		5.00		2.00
Elsie M. Haley		5.00		
Eino A. Helstein		5.00		2.00
Irene M. Helstein		5.00		2.00
Beatrice Holmes		5.00		2.00
SSoloman Kivimaki				2.00
Armand J. Leger		5.00		2.00
Genevieve M. Leger		5.00		2.00
Norman J. Leger		5.00		2.00
Elaine Leger		5.00		2.00
George O. Lord		5.00		2.00
Hazel B. Lord		5.00		2.00
*Earle R. Robinson		5.00		
*Mary E. Robinson		5.00		2.00

Madeline Regan	5.00	2.00
Edmund SanSouci		2.00
Evelyn D. SanSouci		2.00
James W. Smythe	5.00	2.00
*Calvin A. Wentworth	5.00	
*Phyllis G. Wentworth	5.00	2.00
*James A. Wessels	5.00	2.00
*Eva M. Wessells	5.00	2.00
Luther A. Woods	5.00	2.00
Helen Woods	5.00	2.00
Head Tax Total	\$ 205.00	
Poll Tax Total		\$ 74.00
*Paid since January 1, 1965		

UNCOLLECTED PROPERTY TAXES

Levy of 1964

Residents

C. W. Anderson — Stone Studio	\$ 170.40
*Fernand & Lorraine Bergeron	383.40
Jean & Cecil Bergeron	383.40
Edwin J. Doucette	85.20
Robert E. & Dorothy K. Farrar	181.05
Allan & Marsha Foster	639.00
Fred S. & Mary L. Gilson	120.70
James R. Graham	227.20
Ralph G. Haley	276.90
Eino A. Helstein — Home Place	127.80
Armand & Genevieve Leger	170.40
Norman & Elaine Leger	340.80
George O. Lord	191.70
Oiva W. & Helvi L. Murto	1,278.00
*Earle R. Robinson	105.79
Edmund N. & Evelyn D. SanSouci	426.00
Alfred & Margaret Spear	225.60
Irving & Marion Spear	154.78
Irving N. Spear — Gibbs Place	191.70

*G. Porter Washburn	235.29	
*Calvin A. & Phyllis G. Wentworth	355.00	
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Total		\$ 6,300.11
*Paid since January 1, 1965		

Non-Resident

Charles L. & Florence E. Barnes	\$ 5.33	
Broadacres, Inc.	27.26	
*Arthur & Alice Byers	12.78	
Annie Laurie Bagley	2.13	
Wesley & Sylvia Elliot	3.55	
Edna Gerry	362.10	
Robert E. Hirsch	11.50	
Chester M. King	16.19	
Chester & Lilly King	383.40	
Peter Ladeguard	68.16	
Benjamin Pearse	6.39	
John A. & Annie M. Pope	181.05	
*Donald M. Porter	5.21	
Eugene Roe	4.26	
Ferne A. Rines	106.50	
Charles E. Rucksthul, Jr.	42.60	
Wallace R. & Eileen Saball	127.80	
Oscar Somero	2.56	
Catherine Stuart	106.50	
Isadore Valenti	85.20	
Arthur Williams (Heirs)	10.65	
Rhea J. Williams	342.51	
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Total		\$ 1,913.63
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*Paid after January 1, 1965		\$ 8,213.74

(For previous year's Levy)
SUMMARY OF WARRANT

Property, Poll and Yield Taxes

Levy of 1963

— Dr. —

Uncollected Taxes — As of January 1, 1964:

Property Taxes	\$ 9,993.28
Poll Taxes	76.00
Yield Taxes	11.16

\$10,080.44

Interest Collected During Fiscal Year

Ended December 21, 1964

264.10

TOTAL DEBITS

\$ 10,344.54

— Cr. —

Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal

Year Ended December 31, 1964

Property Taxes	\$ 9,993.28
Poll Taxes	70.00
Yield Taxes	11.16
Interest Collected During Year	264.10

\$ 10,338.54

Abatements Made During Year:

Property Taxes	\$ —
Poll Taxes	4.00
Yield Taxes	—

\$ 4.00

Uncollected Taxes — As Per Collector's List:

Poll Taxes	\$ 2.00
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TOTAL CREDITS

\$ 10,344.54

SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS

As of December 31, 1964

— Dr. —

	Tax Sale on Accounts of Levies of:		
	1963	1962	Previous years
(a) Taxes Sold During Current Fiscal Year	\$826.45	\$	\$
(b) Balance of Unredeemed Taxes — January 1, 1964		379.55	99.58
Interest Collected After Sale	3.01	2.57	6.35
Redemption Costs	.50	.25	.25
TOTAL DEBITS	\$829.96	\$382.37	\$106.18

— Cr. —

Remittances to Treasurer			
During Year	\$455.00	\$ 79.38	\$ 86.02
Abatements — During Year	—	—	—
Deeded to Town — During Year	—	—	—
Unredeemed taxes — At Close of Year	374.96	302.99	20.16
TOTAL CREDITS	\$829.96	\$382.37	\$106.18

UNREDEEMED TAXES FROM TAX SALES ON ACCOUNT OF LEVIES OF:

	1963	1962	Previous
C. W. Garside	\$ 21.94	\$ —	\$ —
E. Helstein		22.93	20.16
A. Hill	31.90		
R. Hirsh	14.06		
W. Saball	148.26	133.82	
A. J. Smith	54.85	55.77	
E. Doucette	103.95	90.47	
	\$374.96	\$302.99	\$ 20.16

Uncollected Yield Tax — 1964
William R. Tapley \$42.12

REPORT OF TAX SALES REDEEMED

As of December 31, 1964

Remittance to Treasurer:

	Levy	Tax	Int.	Fee	Total
E. Doucette	1961	\$ 79.42	\$ 6.35	\$.25	\$ 86.02
Armand Leger	1962	76.56	2.57	.25	79.38
Edna Gerry	1963	375.16	2.25	.25	377.66
R. J. Williams	1963	76.33	.76	.25	77.34
		<u>\$607.47</u>	<u>\$ 11.93</u>	<u>\$ 1.00</u>	<u>\$620.40</u>

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER — 1964

Balance on hand 1/1/64		\$ 17,898.36
Received:		
Town Clerk	\$ 4,675.85	
Selectmen	34,688.44	
Tax Collector	65,390.82	\$104,755.11
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total Received		\$122,653.47
Selectmens orders paid out		105,567.38
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Balance on hand 12/31/64		\$ 17,086.09
Cash on hand 12/31/64	\$ 2.02	
Wilton Bank Bal. 12/31/64	17,084.07	\$ 17,086.09
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

Balance on Hand, January 1, 1964		\$ 17,898.36
From Town Clerk:		
Filing Fees	\$ 11.00	
Dog Licenses	201.50	
Auto Registrations	4,463.35	
	<u> </u>	
		\$ 4,675.85

From Tax Collector:

Property Taxes, 1963	\$ 9,993.28	
Poll Taxes	70.00	
Yield Taxes	11.16	
Interest	264.10	
Head Taxes 1963	205.00	
Penalties	19.50	
Property Taxes, 1964	51,829.09	
Poll Taxes	250.00	
Yield Taxes	1,280.45	
Interest	4.84	
Head Taxes	840.00	
Penalties	3.00	
Tax Sales Redeemed	620.40	
	<hr/>	\$ 65,390.82

From Selectmen:

Licence & Permit Fee	\$ 2.50	
Rent of Hall	80.00	
Lawrence S. Spiegel, S. Barrett Lot	1,500.00	
Clarence Farwell, W. Fessenden Lot	200.00	
Albert E. Schelemmer, #6 School House	150.00	
T. A. Eaton Agency, Insurance Refund	2.40	
Wilton National Bank, Temporary Notes	19,000.00	
Ellsworth Brown, Driveway	45.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 20,979.90

From State of New Hampshire:

Forest Fire Reimbursement	\$ 70.47	
State Forest land, 1963	59.70	
State Forest Land, 1964	89.42	
Unexpended T.R.A. Fund	1,238.52	
1964 T.R.A. Monies	4,463.78	
Class V Maintenance (Duncan)	3,146.65	
Interest and Dividends Tax	3,154.31	
Forest Land Conservation	1,312.17	
Savings Bank Tax	72.40	
Railroad Tax, 1962	101.12	
		\$ 13,708.54
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Total		\$122,653.47

SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

Town Officers Salaries	\$ 938.58
Town Officers Expenses	795.85
Election and Registration	402.46
Town Hall	717.14
Police Department	743.27
Fire Department	1,413.56
Care of Trees	75.00
Insurance	627.84
Town Dump	400.00
Town Road Aid	669.57
Summer Roads	9,203.76
Winter Roads	7,905.24
Street Lighting	223.20
General Expenses Highway Dept.	1,335.80
Library	500.00
Old Age Assistance	1.00
Memorial Day	90.00
Parks and Playgrounds	96.50
Cemeteries	250.00
Regional	101.82
Social Security	280.35
Interest	500.56
Long Term Note	1,000.00
Soldiers Monument \$279.69	
(balance \$88.53)	191.16
Bounties	59.50
Fees to Clerk, Collector, Registrar	
Deeds	335.55
Taxes Bought by Town	613.81
Return of Overpayment to Town Clerk	550.08
Temporary Tax Loans	19,000.00
TRA Note	
(above TRA appro. \$669.57 added)	4,702.30
County Tax	3,708.29
Head Taxes	986.00
Yield Tax Debt Retirement	211.84
State Boat Report	1.29

School Appropriation	47,080.19	
Less Social Security Taxes withheld and paid to State together with Town portion	(145.23)	
Total Payments		\$105,567.38

TOWN OFFICERS SALARIES

Appropriation		\$ 1,250.00
Payments:		
Charles F. H. Crathern, Town Clerk	\$ 100.00	
Charles F. H. Crathern, Town Treasurer	100.00	
Paul G. Robbins, Selectman	41.67	
Tracy A. Eaton, Selectman	300.00	
Albert L. Dunham, Sr., Selectman	41.66	
Leland A. Wildes, Selectman	156.25	
Esther A. Spalding, Tax Collector	100.00	
Calvin A. Wentworth, Tax Collector	100.00	
	\$ 939.58	
Unexpended	310.42	
		\$ 1,250.00

TOWN OFFICERS EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$ 1,000.00
Payments:		
Times Free Press, Town Reports	\$ 333.40	
T. A. Eaton Agency, Bonds	158.92	
C. F. H. Crathern	108.50	
C. A. Wentworth	38.55	
Tracy A. Eaton	39.27	
Leland A. Wildes	21.00	
N. H. Municipal Ass'n., Dues	24.00	
Sargent Bros., Tax Bills	21.50	
Wheeler & Clark, Dog Tags	7.30	
Brown & Saltmarsh, Inc.	7.47	
Edson C. Eastman Co.	13.04	

Branhan Publishing Co.	7.00	
Mason Village Savings Bank	3.30	
Ass'n. N. H. Assessors, Dues	5.00	
N. H. Collectors Ass'n., Dues	3.00	
G. R. Laughn, Town Clerk Ass'n., Dues	3.00	
Donat Corriveau	1.60	
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	\$ 795.85	
Unexpended	204.15	
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		\$ 1,000.00

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

Appropriation		\$ 300.00
Payments:		
Richard Hodges, Ballot Box	\$ 2.96	
Times Free Press, Ballots	14.50	
Harold C. Miller, Supervisor Check List	42.00	
Elsa Crathern, Supervisor Check List	58.00	
Guy F. Washburn, Supervisor Check List	127.00	
Addie Robbins, Ballot Clerk	24.50	
Mildred H. Wharff, Ballot Clerk	39.50	
Sophie Rajala, Ballot Clerk	39.50	
Helvi Murto, Ballot Clerk	39.50	
Phyllis Wentworth, Ballot Clerk	15.00	
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	\$ 402.46	
Overdraft	102.46	
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		\$ 300.00

TOWN HALL

Appropriation		\$ 950.00
Payments:		
Rosario Bernier, Oil	\$ 301.50	
Guy F. Washburn	241.50	
Greenville Electric Lighting Co.	114.86	
Lyndeboro Heating & Plumbing	43.75	

Central Hardware	6.95	
W. E. Aubuchon Co., Inc.	5.32	
I. G. A. Stores	3.26	
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	\$ 717.14	
Unexpended	232.86	
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		\$ 950.00

POLICE

Appropriation		\$ 800.00
Payments:		
A. L. Dunham, Jr., Chief	\$ 591.85	
William Morrison	14.25	
Fred Gilson	35.25	
Harold Forrest	40.00	
N. E. Williams	9.00	
Fitchburg Office Supply	52.92	
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	\$ 743.27	
Unexpended	56.73	
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		\$ 800.00

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation		\$ 1,300.00
Forest Fire Refund		70.47
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		\$ 1,370.47
Payments:		
Mason Volunteer Fire Dept.	\$ 1,000.00	
Town of Townsend	52.50	
Alwin Hodson, Jr. Chief	47.15	
Firemen	178.91	
T. A. Eaton, Agency, Insurance on fire truck	108.00	
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	\$ 1,386.56	
Overdraft	16.09	
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		\$ 1,370.47

CARE OF TREES

Appropriation		\$	100.00
Payments:			
William H. Messick, Jr., Blister			
Rust Control	\$	75.00	
Unexpended		25.00	
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		\$	100.00

INSURANCE

Appropriation		\$	500.00
Payments:			
T. A. Eaton Agency			
Liability	\$	234.95	
Library		27.80	
Workmen's Compensation		136.35	
Tractor Crawler		65.00	
Tracy A. Eaton, Fire Insurance Town Hall		163.84	
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	\$	627.94	
Overdraft		127.94	
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		\$	500.00

CIVIL DEFENSE

Appropriation	\$	100.00
No Payments		

HEALTH

Appropriation	\$	25.00
No Payments		

TOWN DUMP

Appropriation	\$	400.00
Payments:		
Town of Greenville	\$	400.00

TOWN ROAD AID

Appropriation		\$	669.57
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Payments:

Used to pay on T.R.A. note	\$	669.57
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SUMMER ROADS

Appropriation		\$	6,000.00
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Class V Maintenance (Duncan)			3,146.65
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Ellsworth Brown, Driveway			45.00
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	\$	9,191.65
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Payments:

As Highway report	\$	9,122.43
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Social Security withheld		81.33
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	\$	9,203.76
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Overdraft		12.11
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	\$	9,191.65
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WINTER ROADS

Appropriation		\$	6,000.00
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Payments:

As Highway Agent report	\$	7,846.02
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Social Security withheld		59.22
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	\$	7,905.24
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Overdraft		1,905.24
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	\$	6,000.00
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STREET LIGHTS

Appropriation		\$	225.00
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Payments:

Greenville Electric Lighting Co.	\$	223.20
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Unexpended		1.80
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	\$	225.00
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GENERAL EXPENSES HIGHWAY DEPT.

Appropriation		\$ 500.00
Payments:		
Laitalias Garage	\$ 997.64	
R. C. Hazelton Co., Inc.	209.45	
Wirthmore Stores	26.89	
Powell Hardware	36.30	
Dr. C. G. Cayward	3.00	
Merrimack Farmers Exchange Inc.	25.70	
Derby & Little Inc.	.60	
Premier Fastener Co.	25.13	
Hope Rubber Co.	11.09	
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	\$ 1,335.80	
Overdraft	835.80	
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		\$ 500.00

LIBRARY

Appropriation		\$ 500.00
Payments:		
Esther Spalding, Treasurer	\$ 500.00	

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Appropriation		\$ 200.00
Payments:		
N. H. Division of Welfare	\$ 1.00	
Unexpended	199.00	
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		\$ 200.00

PUBLIC WELFARE

Appropriation		\$ 200.00
No Payments		

MEMORIAL DAY

Appropriation		\$	100.00
Payments:			
George Talbot	\$	50.00	
Carl Valyou		25.00	
Caswell Hawthorne Inc.		15.00	
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	\$	90.00	
Unexpended		10.00	
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		\$	100.00

PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS

Appropriation		\$	100.00
Payments:			
Guy F. Washburn	\$	96.50	
Unexpended		3.50	
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		\$	100.00

CEMETERIES

Appropriation		\$	250.00
Payments:			
C. G. Wharff, Treasurer	\$	93.50	
Bert Jackson		27.50	
Frank Newell		46.26	
Timothy Washburn		41.63	
William Lord		36.43	
Social Security withheld		4.68	
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		\$	250.00

REGIONAL

Appropriation		\$	101.82
Payments:			
Monadnock Region Ass'n.	\$	101.82	

SOCIAL SECURITY

Appropriation	\$	150.00
Amount withheld		145.23
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	\$	295.23
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Payments:		295.23
State Treasurer	\$	280.35
Unexpended		14.88

INTEREST

Appropriation	\$	300.00
Payments:		
Wilton National Bank	\$	500.56
Overdraft		200.56
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		300.00

LONG TERM NOTES

Town Hall notes due 1964-65-66		
Wilton National Bank	\$	3,000.00
T.R.A. Note due 1964-65		9,000.00
Appropriation, Town Hall note	\$	1,000.00
Appropriation, T.R.A.		669.57
Payments:		
Wilton National Bank Town Hall note	\$	1,000.00
Wilton National Bank T.R.A. note		5,371.87
Notes outstanding, Town hall 1965-66	\$	2,000.00
T.R.A. 1965		3,628.13

TEMPORARY LOANS

Borrowed: Wilton National Bank	\$	19,000.00
Paid: Wilton National Bank		19,000.00

PAYMENTS: STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Head Taxes	\$	986.00
Boat report		1.29
Yield Tax		211.84

COUNTY TAX

Appropriation	\$ 3,708.29
Paid. Albert W. Beaudet, Treasurer	3,708.29

SCHOOLS

Balance due 1963-64 Appropriation	\$ 26,080.19	
Paid: Mildred H. Wharff, Treasurer	26,080.19	
Appropriation 1964-65		\$ 43,884.54
Paid: Mildred H. Wharff, Treasurer	\$ 21,000.00	
Balance due	22,884.54	
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FEES

Payents:

Donat Corriveau	\$ 22.55	
Esther Spalding	9.60	
C. A. Wentworth	82.40	
C. F. H. Crathern	221.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 335.55

BOUNTIES

Payments:

J. Paron	\$ 8.50	
David Marshall	12.50	
Harry Spear	11.50	
Timothy Washburn	4.00	
Murdock Dunn	1.50	
Billy Lord	12.50	
David Lord	2.00	
Cedric Valentine	.50	
Paul Shattuck	2.50	
William Helstein	1.50	
Tracy A. Eaton	1.00	
Peter Russell	1.50	
	<hr/>	\$ 59.50
Paid: C. F. Crathern overpayment to Treasurer	\$ 550.08	

TAXES BOUGHT BY THE TOWN

Paid: C. A. Wentworth	\$	613.81
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SOLDIERS MONUMENT

Fund	\$	279.69
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Payments:

Joseph Burton, Loam	\$	114.00
George Cook		6.00
Merrimack Farmers Exchange, Inc.		47.16
Rosario Bernier		24.00

	\$	191.16
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Unexpended		88.53
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	\$	279.69
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WATER HOLES

Appropriation	\$	200.00
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Payments:

Oren Bellette	\$	27.00
Unexpended		173.00

	\$	200.00
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REPORT OF ROAD AGENT

Guy Porter Washburn

SUMMER ROADS

Patching, Brushing, Oiling & Rolling Roads	\$ 2,665.66
Honing, Scraping, Raking, Widening & Cutting Brush	2,534.30
Culverts and Graveling	857.15
Duncan Funds	3,146.65
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	\$ 9,203.76

Detail payments as follows, including Duncan Money:

G. Porter Washburn—Truck, Equipment

& Labor	\$ 3,362.92
James Washburn—Labor	377.00
Frank Newell—Labor	563.50
Robert Robichaud—Gravel	152.00
Earl Robinson—Labor	13.50
John Paron—Labor	52.65
Frances Caouette—Labor	13.50
Maurice Hamel—Labor	24.00
William Lord—Labor	164.70
Stewart Johnson—Labor	48.00
P. J. Keating Co.,—Patch	172.15
Merrinack Farmers Exchange Inc.—	
Cal. Chloride	124.12
R. C. Hazelton Co.—Culvert	79.50
Clyde Eaton—Truck	135.70
Edward Elliott—Shovel	429.00
Leo Ylonen—Gasoline	29.30
Mystic Bitumus Products	2,023.97
Ronald I. Harry—Gravel	211.10
Harold C. Miller—Truck	103.40
Clarence Farwell—Truck	37.60
William Benotti—Truck	116.60
George Sargent—Truck	116.60

Oren Bellettete—Backhoe	135.00
Claytow Brown—Truck	230.30
Rosario Bernier—Truck	34.25
Walter Somero—Graded	262.50
Ronald Vaillancourt—Truck	174.10
Bergeron Garage	4.80
Powell Hardware—Shovels	9.70
Derby & Little Inc.	2.00

\$9,203.76

WINTER ROADS

G. Porter Washburn—Truck, Equipment & Labor	\$ 3,844.15
James Washburn—Labor	627.75
Frank Newell—Labor	533.75
Aaron Brandt—Plowing	116.00
Albert Schlemmer—Plowing	8.00
Ronald Vaillancourt—Plowing	195.00
Winston Hall—Plowing	474.00
Charles F. H. Crathern—Labor	98.75
Maurice Hamel—Labor	1.25
Earl Robinson—Labor	36.00
William Lord—Labor	5.00
John Paron—Labor	2.50
John Paron, Jr.—Labor	21.60
Town of New Ipswich—Plowing	208.14
Guy F. Washburn—Labor	30.00
Robert Robichaud—Sand	450.90
Ronald I. Harry—Sand	7.20
McKay & Wright—Sand	145.57
James McCreay	30.00
Leo Ylonen—Gasoline	20.00
R. C. Hazelton Co.	48.68
Merrimack Farmers Exchange Inc., Salt	900.20
Wirthmore Stores, Salt	102.80

\$ 7,905.24

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

BOYNTON COMMON SCHOOL FUND

Receipts

Peterborough Savings Bank, Interest	\$	90.00	
Keene Savings Bank, Interest		170.25	
Mason Village Savings Bank, Interest		198.24	
		<hr/>	\$ 458.49
Paid: School District Treasurer			458.49

Invested

Peterborough Savings Bank	\$	2,000.00	
Keene Savings Bank		4,106.84	
Mason Village Savings Bank		4,956.23	
		<hr/>	\$ 11,063.07

STEARNS COMMON SCHOOL BEQUEST

Receipts

Mason Village Savings Bank, Interest	\$	218.76	
U. S. Bond Interest		125.00	<hr/>
			\$ 343.76
Paid: School District Treasurer			343.76

Invested

Mason Village Savings Bank	\$	5,469.36	
U. S. Bond		5,000.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 10,469.36

CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS

Receipts

Mason Village Savings Bank, Interest	\$	315.79
Paid: Cemetery Trustees		315.79

Invested

Mason Village Savings Bank	\$	8,264.33
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C. G. WHARFF, Treasurer

REPORT OF CEMETERY TRUSTEES

Town Appropriation	\$	250.00
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Payments:

Frank Newell	\$	48.00
Timothy Washburn		43.20
William Lord		37.80
Bert Jackson		27.50
C. G. Wharff		93.50
		\$ 250.00

Perpetual Care Receipts

Cash on hand	\$	48.07
Mrs. C. W. Anderson, Care of Paltanghi lot		200.00
Mrs. Lora O'Hearn, Care of Luceus		
Elliott Lot		200.00
Town Trustees		315.79
		\$ 763.86

Payments:

Trustee of Trust Funds	\$	400.00
Powell Hardware. Seed		2.95
Porter Washburn, Repair road		20.00
Porter Washburn. Loam		46.00
Wirthmore Stores. Lime & Seed		18.85
C. G. Wharff		170.50
		\$ 658.30

Cash on Hand		105.56
		\$ 763.86

C. G. WHARFF, Treasurer

REPORT OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Receipts

Cash on hand January 1964	\$	311.94
Town Appropriation		500.00
Overdue book fines		26.00
Sale of books		1.26
		\$ 839.20

Expenditures

Books	\$	86.53
Magazines		18.62
Fuel		65.00
Supplies and equipment		22.46
Salary librarian		100.00
Labor		15.80
Postage		2.11
Gift for Bookmobile Librarian		3.00
Labor on new room		254.20
Materials for new room		71.62
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Total Expenditures	\$	639.34
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Balance on hand	\$	199.86

Respectfully submitted,

PHYLLIS G. WENTWORTH
ESTHER A. SPALDING

Trustees

REPORT OF LIBRARY ACTIVITIES

Adult books charges out	1,082	
Children's books charged out	3,003	
Magazines charged out	344	
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Total circulation		4,429
Books borrowed from Bookmobile		
Adult Fiction	279	
Adult Non-Fiction	308	
Children	596	
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Total		1,183

Special request books borrowed from Concord	10	
Books given to Library	610	
Book purchased	139	
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Total books acquired		749

The most important event in the life of our Library during the year 1964 was the addition of a small room at the rear of our building. Our Gift Fund — carefully tended by our former librarian, Miss Resor, — had increased to the point where we were able and anxious to expand. This was accomplished by breaking through into the adjoining shed, installing proper walls and flooring and adding a second window and bookshelves. Mrs. Putnam King most kindly presented us with a bureau (to be used for library supplies) and a chair. Our gratitude also goes to Mr. Guy Washburn and Mr. Conray Wharff for an excellent job done and to the Fire Department for donating a much-needed fluorescent light. Our next step — hopefully — will be to install heating equipment to enable the new room to be used for reference work in winter as well as in warmer weather.

The addition has allowed us a better grouping of books and much of the summer — our quiet time — was given over to sorting and rearranging library contents. We are happy that extra space could thus be given the children's section as they are the Library's most consistent and interested users.

Donors of books and cash include: Miss Marjory Adams, Mr. C. W. Anderson, Estate of Mrs. Mary Barnes, Qulgencio Batista, Mrs. Mary Castle, Mrs. Ella Cook, Mr. George Cook, Bobby Ducette, Federal Reserve System of Washington, D. C., Mrs. Gish, Graduating Class of 1964 of Mason, Greenville Women's Club, Mr. M. Leonard Hersey, Dr. James Hitchcock, Miss Grace Ingraham, Miss Ruth Ingraham, Miss Elizabeth O. Jones, Mrs. Putnam King, A. Leino, Mason Sr. Girl Scouts, State of New Hampshire, Charles Petrie, Miss Elsie Resor, Mr. William Resor, Diane Schlemmer, Mrs. Sowers, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Thompson, U. S. Savings & Loan League, Miss M. R. Voorhees, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Walmsley, Mrs. Florence Ward, Mrs. C. A. Wentworth, Miss Dorothy Wood and Mrs. Robert Woods. We wish to thank each one of them.

This past year the Boy Scouts completed a handsome magazine rack which they presented to the Library. It is proving most useful and our appreciation goes to them.

During the summer the Friends of the Library were kind enough to offer their services (and whatever water was left by the drought) for a thorough cleaning and turnout; — much needed after winter activities.

Last fall we reluctantly accepted the resignation of Mrs. Robert Woods as a trustee of the Library. We miss her helping hand; particularly in selecting volumes from the Bookmobile.

Our Bookmobile service — originally from Keene — has been changed to the Exeter Branch which the State hopes will facilitate our receiving a newer and more adequate selection of books so we are enthusiastic about this re-organization.

At Christmas time we were in difficulties. The table Miss Jones had so beautifully decorated collapsed and is now in the capable hands of Mr. Frank Newell. We hope to have it with us soon and meanwhile Miss Resor has thoughtfully lent us a sturdier one. However we still lack a table for our new room. If any owner has one that is not fully appreciated, or gathering dust in an unused room or attic, Mrs. Castle would be delighted to hear of it.

Finally we are anxious for more of you to see what has been accomplished and what goes on in Mason's Library. And it is a busy and vital place on Thursday afternoons! Please do drop in sometime when you are going by.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY G. CASTLE

Librarian

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR THE YEAR 1964

This is the third year of service to the Town by the Mason Volunteer Fire Department. We have now grown to a full complement of twenty-five active members which is the authorized strength of the Department. The Department also has four co-operative members.

The raising of funds for equipment has gone quite well this year and the Department has raised a sizeable amount of money. This money has been spent to add to our equipment which still has a long way to go. Money is also needed to pay necessary expenses over and above the capability of the town appropriation. The Department is still paying off the balance of a loan which was used to partially equip the truck in 1963. Also, a percentage of our funds are held as a relief fund to help members should they be hurt while performing service for the town. Money is also being put aside as an aid in the construction of a fire station as the length of time that we can remain in the present station is limited.

The alarm control center operated by the Nelsons in Wilton has worked out well for the Department and, as we had a fairly busy year due to the excessive drought, we had a good chance to test its efficiency.

Two fire schools were attended by members of the Department in 1964, a one day school at Laconia and a two day school at Meadowood in Fitzwilliam.

I would like to commend the members of the Department, all of whom have returned to the Mason Volunteer Fire Department all payments made to them by the town for fire time. We are also indebted to some non-members who have done likewise.

Our thanks also to the following towns for mutual aid response to Mason during the year: Greenville, New Ipswich, Brookline, Wilton and Townsend, Mass.

House fires	0
Overheated furnace	1
Oil burner permits	7

Improperly installed oil burners corrected	2
Inspection of Public Buildings	4
Other fire calls	8
Mutual aid to other towns	1

Respectfully submitted,

ALWIN E. HODSON, JR.

Fire Chief

REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND YOUR DISTRICT CHIEF

The 1964 forest fire season surpassed the record year of 1963 in both length and severity. For the second successive year, we experienced a rainfall deficiency of more than ten inches and the compounding of such drought conditions, together with the many days of strong, dry winds, characterized 1964 as one of the most hazardous years in the past half century. Although our fire season was three weeks longer than that of 1963, the number of fires showed only a slight increase and more remarkable was the fact that the area burned dropped from 2,280 acres in 1963 to 900 acres in 1964. Early detection and rapid response kept many potential fire disasters from becoming reality. We all owe a debt of gratitude to the men in this community who responded and fought our fires so efficiently. Our state is now 86% wooded and its economy — both industrial and recreational — is greatly dependent on this forest resource. The responsibility for adequate fire protection of this great area — 4,350,000 acres — is everyone's responsibility and prevention is one of our most effective tools.

Prevention is good common sense.

1. Take your rubbish to the town dump. If you must burn, obtain a permit and watch your fire until it is dead out.
2. Instruct your children in fire safety. Keep matches from young children. Explain to them the dangers of lighting matches and making outdoor fires.
3. Be sure discarded smoking material and matches are out.

A major portion of our preventable fires this year are chargeable to three causes: (1) permit fires allowed to escape; (2) children playing with matches; and (3) smokers. Let's be mindful of the fact that all such fires endanger property and lives.

We wish to thank you for your very fine cooperation during the past fire season and with your continued cooperation we are confident that we can improve our fire record in 1965.

Number of fires and burned area in 1964

	Fires	Area-Acres
State	886	875
District	253	129½
Town	9	1¼

WINTHROP HANNAFORD

District Chief

ALWIN E. HODSON, JR.

Warden

REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT 1964

Accident (Motor Vehicle)	10
Suspicious Persons	2
Dog Complaint	1
Missing Dogs	5
Personal Injury	2
Doctor Trip	1
Break and Enter	6
Suspicious Vehicle	1
Vandalism	4
Dogs Hit By Motor Vehicles	2
Summons Served	8
Abandoned Vehicle (Stolen)	2
Stolen Property	5
Malicious Damage	1
Accident (Motor Vehicle and Bicycle)	1
Suspected Break	1
Dog Bite	1
Lewd Actions	1

Respectfully submitted,

A. L. DUNHAM, JR.

Chief of Police

AUDITOR'S REPORT

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Town Treasurer, Town Clerk, Tax Collector, Library Trustees, Trustees of Trust Funds, and Trustees of Cemeteries for the year 1964, and found no discrepancies.

ARTHUR J. THOMPSON

Town Auditor

January 28, 1965

SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS

	Term Expires
Moderator: Richard Hodges	March 1965
Clerk: Helen Foot	March 1965
Treasurer: Mildred Wharff	June 30, 1965
Auditors: Aobert Mairo	March 1965
Calvin Wentworth	March 1965

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS

Arthur Rafter, Chairan	March 1965
Charles W. Fifield	March 1966
Jane Woods (resigned)	March 1967

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Mr. Kenneth A. Sargent, Wilton, N. H.

TEACHING STAFF 1964-65

(Mrs.) Neta Frost, Principal	Grades 1 & 2
(Mrs.) Helen Garland	Grades 3 & 4
Robert Rogers	Grades 5 & 6
Henry V. Gibbons	Grades 7 & 8
Miss Elsie F. Wheeler	Music Supervisor

SCHOOL NURSE

(Mrs.) Laila Luhtala, R.N.

SCHOOL DOCTOR

Robert Wellwood, M.D.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

1964-65:

School opens January 4, 1965; Closes February 19th
School opens March 1st; Closes April 23rd
School opens May 3rd; Closes June 18th
Holiday: May 31 Memorial Day

1965-66:

School opens September 8, 1965; Closes November 24th

School opens November 29th; Closes December 22nd

School opens January 3, 1966; Closes February 18th

School opens January 28th; Closes April 22nd

School opens May 2nd; Closes June 17th.

Teachers Convention October 15

Good Friday April 8

Memorial Day May 30

Total Number of Days	181
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Total Number of School Days	180
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Total Number of Days for Inclement Weather	1
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SCHOOL WARRANT

The State of New Hampshire

To the Inhabitants of the School district in the town of Mason qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the 2nd day of March 1965, at eight o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
- 3a. To choose a member of the School Board for the ensuing two years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agent of the district.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.

8. To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the state foundation aid fund together with other income; the school board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the town.

9. To see if the District will approve the raising and expenditure of tuition money above the High School State Average and 2% rental fee charges as outlined in RSA 194:27, or take any action relating thereto.

10. To see if the District will vote to expend "excess sweepstakes" money of \$673.40 for the improvement of the school playground, or take any action relating thereto.

Given under our hands at said Mason this 12th day of February 1965.

ARTHUR J. RAFTER
CHARLES W. FIFIELD

School Board

A true copy of Warrant — Attest:

ARTHUR J. RAFTER
CHARLES W. FIFIELD

School Board

MASON SCHOOL BOARD'S ESTIMATED BUDGET

School Board's Statement of amounts required to support public schools and meet other statutory obligations of the district for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1965 and comparative analysis of expenditures.

EXPENDITURES	Expended 1963-64	Budgeted 1964-65	Estimated Budget 1965-66
100. ADMINISTRATION			
110.1 Salaries District			
Officers	\$ 140.00	\$ 145.00	\$ 145.00
135 Contracted Services	117.00	119.00	119.00
190 Other Expenses	39.10	490.00	90.00
200. INSTRUCTION			
210. Salaries	19,232.00	20,545.00	21,775.00
215 Textbooks	373.64	300.00	300.00
220 School Library	35.55	185.00	185.00
230 Teaching Supplies	972.45	757.00	840.00
235 Contracted Services	44.50	45.00	45.00
290 Other Expenses	115.34	65.00	65.00
300. ATTENDANCE SERVICES	20.00	30.00	30.00
400. HEALTH SERVICES	316.50	335.00	370.00
500. PUPIL TRANSPORTATION	6,295.00	7,105.00	7,120.00
600. OPERATION OF PLANT			
610 Salaries	— 900.00	900.00	900.00
630 Supplies	475.52	266.00	281.00
640 Heat	510.91	650.00	650.00
645 Utilities	410.46	440.00	440.00
700. MAINTENANCE OF PLANT	490.36	812.00	1,020.00
800. FIXED CHARGES			
850 Employee Retirement & Soc. Sec.	1,376.47	1,528.54	1,670.48

855	Insurance	493.70	482.46	545.00
900.	SCHOOL LUNCH AND SPEC. MILK	292.28	300.00	300.00
1000.	STUDENT BODY ACTIVITIES	57.95		
1200.	CAPITAL OUTLAY			
1265	Sites	500.00	500.00	600.00
1266	Buildings		50.00	200.00
1267	Equipment	89.50	—	100.00
1300.	DEBT SERVICE			
1370	Principal of Debt	2,700.00	2,700.00	2,700.00
1371	Interest on Debt	1,392.59	1,293.09	1,197.29
1477.	OUTGOING TRANSFER ACCOUNTS IN STATE			
1477.1	Tuition	3,962.70	3,152.00	5,970.00
1477.3	Supervisory Union Expenses	915.77	1,073.91	1,123.71
1477.4	Per Capita Tax	184.00	—	—
1478.	OUTGOING TRANSFER ACCOUNTS OUT OF STATE			
1478.1	Tuition	7,003.88	8,873.00	10,500.00
1479.	TUITION TO OTHER THAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS	295.00	310.00	328.00
1981	Refunds	37.20		

TOTAL AMOUNT REQUIRED
TO MEET SCHOOL

BOARD'S BUDGET	\$ 49,789.37	\$ 53,452.00	\$ 59,609.48
Balance on Hand	1,454.08		

GROSS EXPENDITURES
FOR ALL PURPOSES

\$ 51,243.45

Supplemental Appropriation to cover Excess Sweepstakes already received over and above original Sweepstakes, not to be raised by Taxes	\$ 673.40
	<u>\$ 60,282.88</u>

SCHOOL BOARD'S ESTIMATED INCOME FOR 1965-66

	Received 1963-64	Estimate 1964-65	Estimate 1965-66
Balance on Hand			
June 30	\$ 1,914.03	\$ 1,454.08	\$ 1,000.00
#10 Series: REVENUE FROM LOCAL SOURCES			
11. Taxation & Appropriation			
11.11 Current			
Appropriation	44,080.19		
19. Other Revenue			
19.1 Trust Funds	799.15	700.00	750.00
19.9 Sale of Junk	14.00		
20. Offset Supplemental Appropriation			673.40
#30 Series: REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES			
31. Foundation Aid	3,051.27	4,388.07	4,000.00
32. Building Aid	810.00	723.33	810.00
35. Intellectually Retarded	120.33	150.00	150.00
39. Sweepstakes		1,751.98	3,180.00
#40 Series: REVENUE FROM FEDERAL SOURCES			
41.1 NDEA Title III	125.00	100.00	120.00
45. School Lunch & Special Milk	292.28	300.00	300.00
60 REFUNDS	37.20		
TOTAL INCOME OF THE DISTRICT	\$ 51,243.45	\$ 9,567.46	\$ 10,983.40
Total Amount Required to Meet			
School Board's Budget	49,789.37	53,452.00	60,282.88
Total Estimated Income		9,567.46	10,983.40

Total Assessment To Meet		
School Board's Budget	\$ 43,884.54	\$ 48,299.48
Balance on Hand		
June 30, 1964	\$ 1,454.08	

FINANCIAL REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1964

RECEIPTS

10. REVENUE FROM LOCAL SOURCES		
11 Taxation and Appropriation		
11.1 Current Appropriation		\$ 44,080.19
19. OTHER REVENUE		
19.1 Trust Funds		799.15
19.9 Other Sources		14.00
30. REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES		
31. Foundation Aid		3,051.27
32. Building Aid		810.00
35. Intellectually Retarded		120.33
40. REVENUE FROM FEDERAL SOURCES		
41.1 National Defense Educational Act, Title III		125.00
45. School Lunch & Special Milk		292.28
TOTAL NET RECEIPTS FROM ALL SOURCES		\$ 49,202.22
Cash on Hand at Beginning of Year July 1, 1963		1,914.03
GRAND TOTAL NET RECEIPTS		\$ 51,206.25

Explanation of Difference Between Net Expenditures and Gross Transactions

A. RECEIPTS

Total Net Receipts Plus Cash On Hand July 1, 1963	\$ 51,206.25
Receipts Recorded Under Item 60	37.20
TOTAL GROSS RECEIPTS	\$ 51,243.45

B. EXPENDITURES

Total Net Expenditures Plus Cash on Hand	
July 1, 1964	\$ 51,206.25
Expenditures Recorded in the 1900 Series	37.20
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TOTAL GROSS EXPENDITURES	\$ 51,243.45

EXPENDITURES

100. ADMINISTRATION

110.	Salaries for Administration	
	110.1. District Officers	\$ 140.00
135.	Contracted Services	117.00
190.	Other Expenses	
	190.2 Superintendent's Office	3.73
	190.2 Superintendent's Office	3.75

200. INSTRUCTION

210.	Salaries	
	210.1 Principal	100.00
	210.2 Teacher Consultants & Supervisors	575.00
	210.3 Teachers	18,557.00
215.	Textbooks	373.64
220.	Library & Audiovisual Materials	35.55
230.	Teaching Supplies	972.45
235.	Contracted Services	44.50
290.	Other Expenses	115.34

300. ATTENDANCE SERVICES

310.	Salaries	20.00
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400. HEALTH SERVICES

410.	Salaries	278.00
490.	Other Expenses	38.50

500. PUPIL TRANSPORTATION

535.	Contracted Services	6,295.00
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600. OPERATION OF SCHOOL PLANT

610.	Salaries	900.00
630.	Supplies, Except Utilities	475.52

640.	Heat for Buildings	510.91
645.	Utilities, except Heat	410.46
700.	MAINTENANCE OF PLANT	
725.	Replacement of Equipment	\$ 252.08
735.	Contracted Services	30.50
766.	Repairs to Buildings	207.78
800.	FIXED CHARGES	
850.	District's Contribution to Employee Retirement	
	850.2 Teacher's Retirement System	976.32
	850.3 Federal Ins. Contributions	400.15
855.	Insurance	493.70
900.	SCHOOL LUNCH AND SPECIAL MILK	
1000.	STUDENT BODY ACTIVITIES	
1075.	Expenditures and Transfers	57.95
975.1	Federal Monies	292.28
1200.	CAPITAL OUTLAY	
1265.	Sites	500.00
1267.	Equipment	89.50
1300.	DEBT SERVICE FROM CURRENT MONIES	
1370.	Principal of Debt	2,700.00
1371.	Interest on Debt	1,392.59
1400.	OUTGOING TRANSFER ACCOUNTS	
147.	EXPENDITURES TO OTHER SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN THE STATE OR ADMIN. UNITS	
477.1	Tuition	3,962.70
477.3	District Share Supervisory Union Expenses	915.77
477.4	Tax for State Wide Supervision	184.00
147f	EXPENDITURES TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN ANOTHER STATE	
478.1	Tuition	7,003.88
1475	EXPENDITURES TO OTHER THAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS	
1479.1	Tuition to Private Non-Sectarian Schools	295.00

TOTAL NET EXPENDITURES FOR ALL PURPOSES	\$ 49,752.17
Cash on Hand at End of Year, June 30, 1964	1,454.08
GRAND TOTAL NET EXPENDITURES	<u>\$ 51,206.25</u>

BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 1964

Assets

Cash on Hand June 30, 1964	
General Fund	\$ 1,454.08
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 1,454.08</u>
Net Debt (Excess Liabilities over Assets)	36,345.92
GRAND TOTAL	<u>\$ 37,800.00</u>

Liabilities

Notes & Bonds Outstanding	\$ 37,800.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>\$ 37,800.00</u>
GRAND TOTAL	<u>\$ 37,800.00</u>

STATUS OF SCHOOL NOTES AND BONDS

1. Name of Building or Project for which Notes or Bonds Were Issued	Addition	Total
2. Outstanding at Beginning of Year	\$ 40,500.00	\$ 40,500.00
3. Issued During Year	—	—
4. Total	40,500.00	40,500.00
5. Payments of Principal	2,700.00	2,700.00
6. Notes & Bonds Outstanding	<u>\$ 37,800.00</u>	<u>\$ 37,800.00</u>

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR J. RAFTER
CHARLES W. FIFIELD
School Board

REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER

Fiscal Year July 1, 1963 to June 30, 1964

SUMMARY

Cash on Hand		\$ 1,914.03
Received from Selectmen:		
Current Appropriation	\$ 44,080.19	
Revenue from State Sources	3,981.60	
Revenue from Federal Sources	417.28	
Received from Trust Funds	799.15	
Received from All Other Sources	51.20	
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Total Receipts		\$ 49,329.42
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Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year		\$ 51,243.45
Less School Board Orders Paid		49,789.37
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Balance on Hand June 30, 1964		\$ 1,454.08
July 1, 1964		

MILDRED WHARFF
District Treasurer

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that I have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Mason, N. H. of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1964 and find them correct in all respects.
July 3, 1964

C. A. WENTWORTH
Auditor

SUPERINTENDENT'S SALARY AND TRAVEL

1964-65

Proportionate share paid by Districts and State:

Apportionment based upon 50% Equalized Valuation and 50% Average Daily Membership

	Salary	Travel
Union's Share	\$ 5,750.00	\$ 1,400.00
State's Share	4,250.00	
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	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 1,400.00
Mason's Share	\$ 333.79	\$ 81.27

SCHEDULE OF INDEBTEDNESS

Original Amount \$40,500. Serial Notes 3½% Dated July 15, 1962
Payable Souhegan National Bank, Milford, New Hampshire

	Principal	Interest	Balance
	\$	\$	\$
			35,100.00
July 15, 1965	2,700.00	617.65	32,400.00
January 15, 1966		579.64	
July 15, 1966	2,700.00	570.13	29,700.00
January 15, 1967		531.32	
July 15, 1967	2,700.00	522.60	27,000.00
January 15, 1968		483.02	
July 15, 1968	2,700.00	477.76	24,300.00
January 15, 1969		434.73	
July 15, 1969	2,700.00	427.57	21,600.00
January 15, 1970		386.42	
July 15, 1970	2,700.00	380.06	18,900.00
January 15, 1971		338.10	
July 15, 1971	2,700.00	332.60	16,200.00
January 15, 1972		289.80	
July 15, 1972	2,700.00	286.66	13,500.00
January 15, 1973		241.49	
July 15, 1973	2,700.00	237.59	10,800.00
January 15, 1974		193.21	
July 15, 1974	2,700.00	190.08	8,100.00
January 15, 1975		144.90	
July 15, 1975	2,700.00	142.54	5,400.00
January 15, 1976		96.60	
July 15, 1976	2,700.00	95.55	2,700.00
January 15, 1977		48.30	
July 15, 1977	2,700.00	47.51	

STATISTICS SCHOOL YEAR 1963-64

ENROLLMENT

Grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Primary	11	8							19
Elementary			17	9					26
Intermediate					9	13			22
Grammar							14	5	19

ATTENDANCE

School	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Percent of Attendance
Primary	16.0	15.1	94.2
Elementary	21.6	20.4	94.2
Intermediate	21.0	20.3	96.4
Grammar	16.1	15.4	95.1

ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Two Successive Years

Wayne Williams

ATTENDING SCHOOLS ELSEWHERE

Appleton Academy	9
North Middlesex Regional	16
Essex Agricultural Technical School	1
Milford High School	1
New Ipswich Elementary	2
Crotched Mountain Rehabilitation Center	1
Parochial Schools Outside the District	8
Private Schools Outside the District	7

CENSUS REPORT FOR 1964-65

Census: (1 day to 18 yrs. inclusive)	Boys 88; Girls 76; Total 164
Attending Public Schools in Mason	84
Attending Public Schools Outside the District	26
Attending Parochial Schools Outside the District	7
Attending Private Schools Outside the District	6

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the school board and citizens of Mason, I respectfully submit my seventh annual report as your superintendent of schools.

STAFF AND INSTRUCTION

The Mason school opened this fall with one change in staff. Mr. Henry Gibbons of Wilton, New Hampshire, a graduate of Keene State College, was hired to replace Mr. James Quinn, Jr., who assumed the principalship of the Greenfield school. After the year started Mrs. Alice Stearns of Rindge, New Hampshire was hired as the part-time Art teacher. Mrs. Stearns is a graduate of Boston University, having also taken courses at the University of California. Other members of the staff have continued in their positions thus maintaining continuity in the instructional program.

The two areas of instruction, math and reading, continue to be improved and strengthened as the school year progresses.

Two children from Mason are now attending special classes, one in the North Middlesex Regional High School, the other at the Wilton Special Class. The same provisions for these classes are being made within the upcoming budget.

Again this year Mrs. Frost is to be complimented for being instrumental in encouraging the teachers to work overtime with children who have academic problems at school. It is not unusual for all teachers to be working each day after regular school hours with two or three children, helping with difficulties that have been experienced.

The School Board has gone along with other towns in the area serviced by Appleton Academy in providing money for the hiring of a remedial reading teacher. This teacher would spend a pro-rated part of her time working with children in Mason who have special problems in reading, thereby attempting to bring them fully to their proper grade level in this vital area. This kind of help plus that which is provided by

the regular teachers should do much to insure that youngsters are being educated to the maximum of their abilities.

Early in the year all school boards of the supervisory union heartily endorsed a program of physical fitness in keeping with the late President Kennedy's recommended program. A workshop was held in Wilton for the information and instruction of all elementary teachers and the program which had been in effect in Mason in an informal way became a formal part of the instructional program. Teachers of the school have been devoting fifteen minutes each day to continuous, strenuous exercising and also have administered tests of physical fitness to the children this fall. This exercising and testing program will be continued throughout the year and in the years to come. It is hoped that such a program will raise the physical fitness level of each and every individual of the school. Even in this short period of time some marked improvements have been made in some individual cases.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS

In the 700 series of the budget some of the increase shown is to provide fluorescent light fixtures in the two old classrooms. On cloudy days especially, these rooms are not sufficiently lighted to prevent eye-strain and result in children doing less than their best work. Also included in this item is a sum of \$200. to provide funds for the painting of the tower on the old building. This has not been done for a period of at least seven or eight years, and painting is necessary.

In the 1200 series money is again provided for the grading and extension of the playground area and also to provide some additional playground equipment. Under #1266, \$200. is budgeted to extend hot water to all parts of the school and also to install a small separate bubbler in the old building. in #1267, \$100. is provided to purchase a second hand buffing machine in order that the asphalt tile floors in the new building can be better cared for.

SWEEPSTAKES

This year will probably go down in New Hampshire education as the "year of the sweepstakes". This was the first year that funds were

made available through this lottery to schools in New Hampshire. The Mason School finally received \$2,425.38 from this source. The best estimation at this time indicates that the Mason district will receive \$3,180. during the coming school year. One thing that has concerned the Board was how to best use this money and keep within the statutes and intent of the law, namely, to improve education. Some of this money has been used to very definitely effect the instructional program by providing remedial reading services. Some money also provides salary increases in order that Mason can realistically compete for teachers in southern New Hampshire. Money being contemplated for use in the improvement of the playground area also could be catagorized as being within the spirit of the law.

When the tax assessment was being made for the support of schools last summer the Tax Commission estimated that Mason would receive \$1,751.98 of sweepstakes money. This amount was applied against the school appropriation to arrive at a school assessment. However, as indicated above, actually \$2,425.38 was received, an excess of some \$673.40. An article appears in the warrant requesting approval to use this excess money to pay for further development of the play area. If this excess money were used with money within the present budget and money contemplated in the upcoming budget, the playground program could approach completion.

FINANCE

There are two other areas of increase in the budget which should be brought to the attention of the citizens. Teacher's salaries, an increase is being provided in order that Mason teachers can go along with the general increase that will take place in the State of New Hampshire in the coming year. Increases are necessary if Mason is going to have any chance of attracting and holding good teachers.

In the 1477.1 item, Tuitions, an increase of about \$4,500. is shown. This increase is brought about by increases in tuition costs and increased high school enrollments from 22 to 29. Appleton Academy has just announced that its tuition charge for the coming year will be \$547. This is above the State Average cost of \$489. and a 2% rental

charge which could be made under statutes. Before the School Board could expend monies above the State Average and the 2% rental charge, approval would first have to be given by the district. This type of article has appeared in warrants in the past, but never approved, thus leaving excess costs up to the parents. Action on this warrant article determines whether the school district or the individual parent should rightfully pay excess tuition charge. Excess charges are already in the budget.

On the income side of the ledger, it is expected that a balance of some \$1,000. will be available as of June 30th. This amount together with money from trust funds, foundation aid, estimated sweepstakes, results in a net income of about \$10,310. When this is applied against the total amount required to meet the school board's budget of \$59,609., the resulting assessment is \$49,299.48, an increase of about \$5,500. over the present year's assessment. It should be noted that practically all of this increase is due to increased tuition costs.

SPECIAL ARTICLES

Two special articles appear in the warrant that have already been referred to. One article relates to the expenditure of excess sweepstakes money for further development of the playground. This money could be expended without any additional burden to the community during the present year or the coming school year since it is a surplus from sweepstakes revenue. The other article again asks the town to determine whether or not the school district will be charged for excess tuition costs or have these costs borne by the individual parent.

CONCLUSION

The Mason school is making excellent progress through the very conscientious and diligent efforts of its teachers. Parents have been pleased to know of extra time teachers are regularly providing to properly carry out the educational program of the school. It is a distinct pleasure for me to be associated and work with such conscientious and dedicated teachers. The Mason School Board has been extremely helpful, cooperative and understanding in all matters and has worked dili-

gently to provide the best education possible within the financial capabilities of the town. The parents have, as in the past, strongly supported the activities of the school and cooperated with teachers in every respect. In such a helpful and understanding atmosphere, developed by teachers, school board and citizens, the position of superintendent has been a distinctly pleasurable one. Thanks are extended to all concerned.

Respectfully submitted,

KENNETH A. SARGENT

Superintendent of Schools

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

Fiscal Year 1963-64

Mason Public Schools Grades 1 through 8

Visits to School: 12

Tests Given:

Snellen E eye tests	50
Keystone Telebinocular tests	50
Titinus Vision Tests	50
Maico Audiometer tests	54
Patch tests for TB	76 including teachers

Parents were notified if a defect existed

Special Activities:

1. Checked all new pupils for vaccinations
2. Assisted school doctor with physicals
78 children examined by Dr. Robert Wellwood

Defects found:

- 1 wax in right ear
- 2 wax in both ears
- 1 slight otitis
- 13 enlarged neck glands
- 32 carious teeth
- 1 orthopedic problem
- 2 impetigo
- 1 slight heart murmur
- 3 enlarged tonsils
- 2 slightly inflamed tonsils
- 2 mouth breathers

Parents were notified of these conditions

3. Nurse's work:

Routine inspections every month
Heights and weights on all children
First aid when necessary

4. Pre-School Registration on May 19, 1964

8 children registered
Heights and weights on 7
Titmus vision tests on 7

5. Report on Dental Clinic done in Dr. Roy's Greenville office.

4 single surface fillings on deciduous teeth
26 single surface fillings on permanent teeth
3 two surface fillings on permanent teeth
25 deciduous extractions

Communicable diseases reported: German measles, mumps, chicken pox

The Patch tests were made available through the N. H. Tuberculosis and Health Association free of charge.

The Titmus Vision tester was a gift from the 4 Town Unit of the Salvation Army for the use of the school nurse.

Respectfully submitted,

LAILA E. LUHTALA, R.N.
School Nurse

ACTION TAKEN AT TOWN MEETING

MARCH 10, 1964

Town Meeting was called to order by Moderator pro-tem Tracy Eaton at 1:00 P.M. Warrant read and polls declared open. Voting followed until polls were declared closed by Moderator Hodges at 7:00 P.M. Counting of ballots — Town and Presidential Primary — continued until 11:00 P.M. when a motion to adjoin Town Meeting to March 11 at 7:00 was passed.

The adjourned Town Meeting was called to order by Moderator Hodges on March 11 at 7:00 P.M. Warrant was read and results of the election, articles 1 and 2, announced.

Selectman, 3 yr. term	Albert Dunham, Sr.
Tax Collector, 1 yr. term	Calvin Wentworth
Treasurer, 1 yr. term	Charles Crathern
Highway Agent, 1 yr. term	G. Porter Washburn
Clerk, 1 yr. term	Charles Crathern
Delegate — Constitutional Convention	Tracy Eaton

Article III. Sale of Sweepstakes tickets passed 107 to 39.

Article IV. Clerk was authorized to cast 1 vote for each of the following:

Auditors — Robert Mairo and Paul Robbins	1 yr.
Library Trustee — Mrs. Calvin Wentworth	3 yr.
Trustee of Trust Funds — Conray G. Wharff	3 yr.
Trustee of Cemetery Fund — Lewis Jackson	3 yr.

Article V. After some discussion about Police, Fire and Road money the Budget was approved as printed — \$23,021.39.

Article VI. Town borrowing money in anticipation of taxes approved.

Article VII. 2% thirty days discount on tax bills passed.

Article VIII. Sale of Town owned real estate by Selectmen, with approval of Financial Committee, authorized.

Article IX. Town audit by State indefinitely postponed.

Article X. Tax Collector granted 8% Head Tax collections.

Article XI. Purchase of chairs for Town Hall defeated.

Article XII. Moderator authorized to appoint committee of 5, and a sum not to exceed \$200.00 voted, for Water Holes for five purposes.

Article XIII. Moderator authorized to appoint committee of 5, to work with Planning Board, investigating facilities that may be had for erection of Tool Shed; to give its report, including costs, at next annual Town Meeting.

A rising vote of Thanks and Appreciation was given to the Committee and Contributors for the interior decoration of the Town Hall.

It was moved and passed to accept all reports of agents and committees as printed.

Moved to adjourn — passed: 9:30 P.M.

VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS

1964			Parents
January	3	Robert Scott	Harold A. Patton Dorothy I. Creighton
January	18	Ronald Joseph, Jr.	Ronald J. Schultz Evelyn M. Jarvais
January	24	Rhonda Ann	Alex Panagoutou Jeanette M. Cote
February	13	Stephen Curtis	Curtis M. Dunn Sara A. Moran
April	6	Karen Ann	Robert A. Rousseau Linda J. Mickson
August	5	Jo-Anne	Jean P. Bergeron Cecilia M. Leger
August	6	Tammy Lee	James A. Wessells, Jr. Eva M. Ravellette
September	5	Richard Burt, III	Richard B. Hodges, Jr. Joyce T. Hovey

DEATHS

1964			Resident
February	28	Sybil M. Beatham	Mason
March	1	John August Kivimaki	Mason
March	18	Putnam King	Mason
July	27	Joseph Henry Thomas	Waltham
July	28	Gardner Elliott	Townsend
August	14	Harriet Miller Crowe	Mason
August	24	Clifford Elliott	Townsend
November	29	Mary Hatch Barnes	Mason

MARRIAGES

1963					
April	7	William Howard Wildes Shirley Gedenberg	Mason Greenville	Rev. Charles M. Styron Lincoln, Mass.	
1964					
January	25	Robert Edward Gould Helen Frances Jankowski	Worcester Worcester	C. F. H. Crathern J.P. Mason, N. H.	
May	19	Wayne Leicester St. Francis Margaret Mary Biscornet	Worcester Cherry Valley	C. F. H. Crathern, J.P. Mason, N. H.	
May	26	Paul Adelard Thibault Olive Paulette Fortin	Greenville Mason	Robert Taft, J.P. Greenville, N. H.	
June	21	Robert H. Lord Susan K. Korpi	Mason New Ipswich	Rev. Edgar Randle New Ipswich, N. H.	
July	3	Robert Joseph Green Nancy Ruth Hamilton	Millbury Millbury	C. F. H. Crathern, J.P. Mason, N. H.	
August	29	Belmiro Augusto Gomes Janet Helene Moeckel	Fitchburg Fitchburg	C. F. H. Crathern, J.P. Mason, N. H.	
September	5	Peter Francis Ford Christina Lovelace MacAlister	Worcester Northboro	Rev. Edgar Randle Mason, N. H.	
September	12	George L. Fregeau Shelia C. Vanandenhove	Mason Pawtucket	Rev. Father Francis Keefe Pawtucket, R. I.	
October	31	Curtis Wayne Goodrich Carol Ann McNamara	Worcester Worcester	C. F. H. Crathern, J.P. Mason, N. H.	
November	21	Richard Paul Jacques Susan Jean Deslaurier	Millbury Millbury	C. F. H. Crathern, J.P. Mason, N. H.	
November	28	Richard Merrill Reed Beverly Ann SanSoucie	Peterborough Mason	Anna Chute, J.P. Greenfield, N. H.	

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